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Applicant : Sommadossi *et al.*  
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Customer No. : 20786

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**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION**

Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed November 15, 2005, for which a response is due April 15, 2006 with a two-month extension of time, please enter the following amendments and consider the following remarks. A Petition for Extension of Time for two months and the required fee is included.

**Amendment to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims that begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 9 of this paper.